

CAREER EXPLORATION

COURSE CODE: 90.0000.10

DESCRIPTION:

Career Exploration is the foundation experience within the new (CTE) Delivery System supporting the successful transition to high school Career and Technical Education Career Preparation programs. The Arizona Department of Education, approved curriculum framework is aligned with the Arizona Workplace Standards, Arizona Technology Standards, and the National Career Development Guidelines. It introduces students to the Career Clusters (Knowledge and Skills) as well as provides opportunities for instruction supported by a flexible learning environment, appropriate technology and support systems. The standards address career exploration and core skill development common to **virtually all occupations**.

Students will explore careers and attain academic and technical skills through the following standards:

- 1.0 Evaluate individual strengths, values and personality traits
- 2.0 Explore a variety of occupational areas
- 3.0 Demonstrate an understanding of academic achievement and performance required for meeting career goals
- 4.0 Demonstrate career planning skills
- 5.0 Demonstrate decision making and critical thinking skills required for career success
- 6.0 Develop communication skills for public and workplace environments
- 7.0 Develop leadership and teamwork skills required for the workplace
- 8.0 Analyze and develop legal and ethical behaviors
- 9.0 Demonstrate technological literacy required in the workplace
- 10.0 Analyze how social, organizational and technological systems operate
- 11.0 Evaluate factors contributing to a safe and healthy work environment
- 12.0 Demonstrate an understanding of diversity

CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK AVAILABILITY

- Completed in June 2005
- Disseminated at various workshops and conferences throughout the summer and school year 2005-06
- Accessible by September 2005 on the Arizona CTE web site under "What's New" <http://www.ade.az.gov/cte/WhatsNew/>
- Accessible by August 2005 on Arizona Tech Prep web site <http://www.aztechprep.org/>
- Implementation of the curriculum framework should be in place by the school year 2007-08